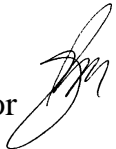


COUNTY OF YORK

MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 13, 2006 (BOS Mtg. 6/27/06)

TO: York County Board of Supervisors

FROM: James O. McReynolds, County Administrator 

SUBJECT: U.S. Department of Homeland Security Assistance to Firefighters Prevention Grant

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security offers a national competitive grant program known as the "Assistance to Firefighters Prevention Grant." The intent of the program is to assist fire departments across the nation with their fire prevention resource needs. The York County Department of Fire and Life Safety had previously identified a need to have an additional basic tool to teach fire safety education to the public. This tool, commonly known as a "Safe House," is a mobile educational trailer that can easily be transported to various sites such as schools, Safety Town, and other venues to teach the basic concepts of fire safety. For years the department has needed this basic capability, which is commonplace in the fire safety education arena, but until now the department has not had the resources to procure such and has had to resort to borrowing a similar tool from a neighboring locality for limited use. The department submitted the competitive grant request within the appropriate guidelines and was fortunate to receive the federal grant in the amount of \$38,500, which requires at least a 30 percent match. This match will be funded through existing state grant funds and donations.

If adopted, proposed Resolution R06-90 will accept and appropriate \$38,500 from the Federal Assistance to Firefighters Prevention Grant Program and will authorize the County Administrator to procure the mobile fire safety education trailer.

I recommend approval of proposed Resolution R06-90.

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Proposed Resolution R06-90